

## Liberals' Call Is Accepted by 32 in Congress

9 Senators, 23 Representatives Respond Favorably to Legislative Service Invitation to Meet Dec. 1-2

Harmony Is Chief Object

Individual Purposes Will Be Thashed Out in Final Conference Second Day

From the Tribune's Washington Bureau  
WASHINGTON, Nov. 25.—Plans for the progressive conferences, to be held in Washington December 1 and 2, were outlined here today by Basil M. Manly, director of the People's Legislative Service. Mr. Manly said nine Senators and twenty-three House members, whom he did not name, had accepted invitations. He said Senator-elect Dill, of Washington, was the only member of the Senate who had been obliged to decline up to this date.

Senators La Follette, Norris, Ladd and Senator-elect Brookhart are among the members of the upper House who will be in attendance. Senator Borah is also expected to attend.

Mr. Manly said: "As announced November 18, two conferences are to be held during the coming week."

"On Friday, December 1, progressive members of Congress and members-elect, representing all parties, will attend a conference called by Senator La Follette and Representative Huddleston, chairman and vice-chairman respectively of the People's Legislative Service, at which plans will be discussed for the co-operation of the progressives in Congress."

General Conference December 2  
On Saturday, December 2, progressives not in Congress will meet in the assembly room of the City Club with members and members-elect of Congress for a discussion of progressive measures.

"Plans are now going forward for the general conference December 2. Addresses will be scheduled during the day, and informal discussions will be held in which those interested in particular matters of legislation will participate."

"On the evening of December 2 a dinner will be held at the City Club, at which progressives in Congress and those invited to attend the general conference will be present. A speaking program will follow the dinner. "Nine Senators and twenty-three members of the House have thus far accepted invitations to attend the legislative conference of December 1. No announcement as to the personnel of the conference will be made until early next week, due to the fact that many of those invited have not yet had an opportunity to reply. It can be stated that no unfavorable replies have been received to date. A number of progressives, in expressing their support of the conference and their desire to co-operate, have been obliged to send their regrets because of previous engagements."

Letters Express Approval  
"Senator-elect C. C. Dill, of Washington, is the only member of the Senate who has been obliged to decline to date. Inasmuch as Mr. Dill's inability to attend the conference has been the subject of comment in the press, his letter which has just been received is made public herewith."

"Letters have been received from influential Progressives, men and women, from a large number of states expressing their approval of the aims of the conference and announcing their intention to be present for the conference and dinner on December 2. The list of those who will be present on December 2 will be made public early next week."

"Dill's letter to Senator La Follette sent from Spokane on November 21, is as follows: "I have the telegram signed by yourself and Mr. Dill advising me to attend a conference in Washington of Progressives on December 1, and I regret that it will be impossible for me to be there. I expect to make a trip East at Christmas time and will be in Washington the first part of January so that I cannot make the trip at this time. I regret this very much because I would like to attend such a conference, but, of course, as it is to be held so early it will be impossible. It would seem to me anyhow that it would be better to wait until after the holidays. My best wishes are with you and the other Progressives, and I am sure that I will be able to work with the Progressive movement that is developing all over the country."

Oregon Turkey for Harding  
HOOD RIVER, Ore., Nov. 25.—President Harding will have also an Oregon turkey for his Thanksgiving dinner, a twenty-two pound bird, grown on the country place of the Rev. William A. (Billy) Sunday. The bird has been expressed to the White House. A twenty-one pound bird went to the President. Ed Sunday, brother of the evangelist, who has charge of the place, said that "Billy" and "Ma" Sunday cared for the turkey flock last summer.

Her Engagement to Screen Comedian Rumored



Pola Negri, the Polish motion picture actress, now in America. Acquaintances have heard that she is betrothed to Charlie Chaplin. He refused yesterday to deny or confirm the report

Rosenbluth Denies Right

Camp Not Acquired When Cronkhite Died, Says Counsel

Counsel for Robert Rosenbluth, former captain of the 218 Engineers, whom the government is seeking to extradite to Tacoma, Wash., for trial for the alleged murder of Major Alexander P. Cronkhite, offered deeds and other documents yesterday at a hearing before United States Commissioner Hitchcock, to prove that the government had not acquired title to Camp Lewis where Cronkhite was killed at the time of his death and therefore was without jurisdiction. They submitted also a telegram from Attorney General Daugherty apparently admitting the Federal court had no jurisdiction in the case. Commissioner Hitchcock reserved decision as to the admissibility of the documentary evidence.

Acclaim West's Thirty Years As Educator at Luncheon

Three hundred employees of the Board of Education joined in giving a testimonial luncheon to William E. West, chief clerk of the superintendent's office and the bureau of reference and research yesterday, at the Hotel McAlpin. He has been connected with the board for thirty years. Mr. West made a brief speech, thanking his associates for the honor they had done him. Several vaudeville acts were presented and dancing by the entire company followed.

## Taxes Threaten National Life, Board Reports

Industry Conference Upholds Desirability of Reduction or Diffusion of the Burden to Protect Surplus

Sixth of Income Levied

State and Local Rates Now Almost Equal Federal Assessments, It Is Asserted

The tax bill of the United States is fast making inroads on the surplus of the national income necessary for economic progress and is threatening to hamper the growth of the nation, according to a report made public yesterday by the National Industrial Conference Board.

"It is a question of growing importance, whether a reduction in and wider diffusion of the tax burden may not be desirable, not only for the protection of the national surplus, but in order to awaken a more general interest in the activities of the government," says the report. It further says that state and local taxation now almost equal the Federal levies and that one-sixth of the national income went to taxes during 1921. Federal taxes in that year rose 10 per cent over 1919.

\$88 for Each Person  
From 1903 to 1914 the total expenditures of all public disbursing authorities in the United States increased from \$22 to \$35 for every person in the country. The war increased this \$88 a person during the year from 1918 to 1919.

Following the cessation of hostilities public expenditures did not greatly decrease, for during the fiscal year of 1920-'21 the per capita expenditures amounted to \$45, computed on the pre-war internal purchasing power basis. An interesting feature of the report is that it shows the steady rise in the expenses of local and state governments. From 1903 to 1913 they increased from \$18 to \$23 a person.

New York Holds Record  
New York held the record for per capita tax burdens during the year 1919 with \$148.36. Massachusetts was next, with \$125.35; Delaware was third, with \$124.41; Rhode Island fourth, with \$115.25; and Michigan next, with \$105.71.

Alabama was last of all of the states, with a per capita tax of \$62.47. In the majority of states the general average of taxation was 12.1 per cent of income per capita. The burden of state and local taxation was highest in agricultural and mining states, while Federal taxation fell heaviest on manufacturing states. Before the war state and local taxes had been growing faster than Federal taxes, which constituted three-tenths of the total tax on. In 1919, however, Federal taxation had increased until it was three-fifths of the total and in 1921 they had become slightly more than one-half of the national total. State and local burdens began to share equal importance with Federal taxation, which had before been of comparatively little regard.

Labor Officials Consider Pushing Daugherty Trial

Undermyer Attends Council's Final Session; No Report on Decision Reached

WASHINGTON, Nov. 25.—Members of the executive committee of the American Federation of Labor concluded here today an eight-day quarterly session, devoted to the transaction of organization business and the study of political policies to be forwarded before Congress. The attempt to force impeachment proceedings against Attorney General Daugherty because of his intervention in the railroad strike by Federal injunction, was still before the council for consideration today, as the final session of the annual conference of the American Federation of Labor, New York lawyer, attended.

No announcement was made concerning the conference with Mr. Undermyer after the meeting, but it was rumored that the question of the enforcement of the anti-trust laws by the Department of Justice might be brought into the impeachment proceedings.

Upholds Josephthal Firm

In answer to the announcement that the brokerage firm of Josephthal & Co., 130 Broadway, had been made the defendant in a suit brought by Henry J. Schnitzer, who asks for the appointment of a receiver, Nicolas J. Gerold, of the former, yesterday made the following statement: "In the absence of Mr. Josephthal in Chicago I will say that Henry J. Schnitzer was expelled from the firm of Josephthal & Co. in 1922, and that there is no merit whatever in his charges. "The ground for Mr. Schnitzer's expulsion will appear in our answering papers to his suit, which will be filed within a few days, and will indicate the true character of this litigation, instituted nearly a year after Mr. Schnitzer's expulsion from the old firm."

## "Pussyfoot" Called On to Attest Good Character of Cone

Jersey Dry Chief Asks Suspension; Demands Inquiry Into Edge's Charges of Having Agents Dismissed

William E. ("Pussyfoot") Johnson, once government detective and now prohibition exhorter, was called upon yesterday to attest the character of Samuel H. Cone, chief prohibition agent in New Jersey, who a few hours previously had demanded his own suspension in a telegram to Prohibition Commissioner Roy A. Haynes.

Mr. Cone demanded that he be suspended and that an immediate and complete investigation be made of charges uttered by United States Senator Edge in a recent address, in which he is quoted as saying that there had been irregularities in Cone's administration of the New Jersey prohibition enforcement, and that William E. Johnson, otherwise "Pussyfoot," knew of these irregularities. Mr. Cone's telegram read:

"In view of the libelous charges made against me by Senator Edge and others and given publicity by them in the newspapers of New Jersey I respectfully demand a complete investigation of such charges by the proper authorities in your department."

Requests Suspension  
"Pending such investigation, I respectfully request suspension from my regular duties, in accordance with the usual practice of the department." The telegram was filed in Newark yesterday.

The charges of Senator Edge were made in Washington Friday, and are reported to have been precipitated by Cone's request that ten prohibition agents in Newark be dismissed and others appointed to fill their places. Senator Edge defended the agents and scorned Mr. Cone.

Charles R. Brown, prohibition director of New Jersey, who had announced his intention of resigning, said he would now wait until the Cone matter is disposed of before he files his request for release as director.

No Proof of Wrongdoing  
James K. Shields, superintendent of the Anti-Saloon League of New Jersey,

cabled "Pussyfoot" Johnson in Wellington, New Zealand, asking him if he had any information derogatory to Cone, and "Pussyfoot" Johnson cabled the following reply: "Found no proof of wrongdoing against Cone. He was a very efficient officer."

60 Families Flee Fire

Smoke of \$35,000 Blame Empty Adjoining Buildings

Clouds of dense smoke from a fire in the four-story brick building at 674 Ninth Avenue, occupied by I. Kellerman, a dealer in paints and varnishes, early yesterday, drove sixty families from adjoining tenements to the street in scant attire. Two alarms were turned in. The fire caused damage estimated at \$35,000.

The smoke was noticed by Patrolman Joseph Gaynor, of the West Fifty-seventh Street station, who was a block away. He turned in an alarm, and when Acting Battalion Chief Humboldt arrived the smoke was drifting into adjoining apartments, and a second alarm brought Chief John Kenlon. Reserves of the West Fifty-seventh Street station assisted men, women and children of the five-story tenements at 672 and 676 Ninth Avenue and 356, 358 and 362 West Forty-seventh Street, in the rear, to the street. The routed families were sheltered by neighbors. While fighting the fire, the cause of which has not been determined, Fireman Frederick Fritz, of Engine Company 54, was cut on the left hand by falling glass.

Drought Causes Textile Mills to Curtail Work

CHARLOTTE, N. C., Nov. 25.—One-eighth of the textile spindles in the United States will be made idle one day weekly, beginning Monday, Charles I. Burkholder, vice-president of the Southern Power Company, announced today in making known that his company had been compelled by diminishing water power supply due to drought to curtail operations until the winter rains begin. The territory supplied with power by the company, he said, has been divided into five districts, and the service, cut 20 per cent, has been pro-rated among users.

Two Year Rail Strike Ends

SYDNEY, N. S., Nov. 25.—The strike of Cape Breton steel switchmen for recognition of their union, which has lasted two years, will end December 31, it was announced today. An agreement was signed by representatives of the Empire Steel Corporation and the

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